Town of Riverhead

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February 1, 2021 - 0600 hrs. Weather and Travel Advisory

The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Storm Warning for our area through Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 6 am. Heavy snow is possible today with additional snow accumulations of 6 to 10 inches depending on the track of the storm. Snow/sleet accumulations will be toward the lower end over the Twin Forks. Winds will be around 30 mph with gusts as high as 45 mph. Minor to moderate coastal flooding may occur during high tide cycles Monday afternoon and early Tuesday morning. Travel could be very difficult today and may impact the morning and evening commutes. If you can, STAY HOME. If you go outside, use caution. If you MUST travel, give yourself plenty of time and REDUCE YOUR SPEED. Keep a flashlight, food, water and cellphone in your vehicle. In case of an emergency, dial 911 or call the Riverhead Police Department at 631-727-4500.

A SNOW EMERGENCY HAS BEEN DECLARED IN RIVERHEAD TOWN. DO NOT PARK YOUR VEHICLES ON THE STREET.

 ALL RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO REMOVE THEIR VEHICLES FROM THE STREET TO INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SNOWPLOWING OPERATIONS. CHAPTER 289-50.1 AUTHORIZES THE RIVERHEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT TO IMPOUND <u>PARKED</u> OR ABANDONED VEHICLES THAT AFFECT THE ROADWAYS DURING A SNOWSTORM.

Notifications and Closures

RIVERHEAD TOWN HALL AND FACILITIES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021.

RIVERHEAD TOWN JUSTICE COURT WILL BE CLOSED, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021.

IF YOU ARE IN A COASTAL FLOOD PRONE AREA, PAY ATTENTION TO THE UPCOMING HIGH TIDE CYCLES THIS AFTERNOON AND EARLY TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021, MORNING. PLEASE TAKE ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS.

TO REPORT POWER OUTAGES, CALL PSEG AT 1-800-490-0075.

PLEASE DO NOT SHOVEL SNOW INTO THE STREET. THIS ONLY CREATES A HAZARD FOR YOUR NEIGHBORS AND OTHER MOTORISTS.

IF THERE IS A FIRE HYDRANT BY YOUR HOME, PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS VISIBLE AND SHOVELED OUT.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY THE ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND.

DON'T FORGET YOUR PETS. MAKE SURE THEY ARE BROUGHT INDOORS OR HAVE SHELTER.

FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR PATRONS AND VISITORS, PLEASE REMOVE THE SNOW AND ICE FROM THE SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF YOUR PROPERTY.

REMEMBER THE P'S OF PREPAREDNESS, HAVE A <u>PLAN</u>, <u>PACK</u> AN EMERGENCY KIT AND <u>PAY ATTENTION</u>.

FOR WINTER SAFETY TIPS VISIT:

FEMA

http://www.ready.gov/winter-weather

National Weather Service

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/winter/index.shtml

NYS Homeland Security

http://www.dhses.ny.gov/oem/safety-info/winter/

American Red Cross

http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Winter-Weather-Safety-Tips